NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO OBTAIN CUSTODY

Vessel Registration: WN5791LE

Boat Hull Number: WMA45001H787

Registration Expiration: 06-2010

Description: 1987 WRIGHT 45

REGISTERED OWNER: MCRAE FAMILY LLC 3824 41ST STREET CT NW

GIG HARBOR WA 98335-8020

In accordance with RCW 79.100, this vessel, **WN5791LE**, has been declared abandoned because it meets the definition of an abandoned vessel as described in RCW 79.100.010 (1). The City of Gig Harbor, acting as an authorized public entity with the authority granted in RCW 79.100, intends to take custody of the above named vessel on **December 17, 2011**.

After obtaining custody of the vessel, the City of Gig Harbor is authorized to use or dispose of it in any appropriate and environmentally sound manner without further notice to the owner. In order for the owner to retain custody of the vessel, the owner must obtain authorization to moor or anchor the vessel in its current location (including all necessary permits and/or leases), move it to an anchorage area or moorage facility that has authorized the vessel, or remove the vessel from the water.

If the owner wishes to redeem the vessel once the City of Gig Harbor has taken custody of the vessel, the owner must commence action to contest the City of Gig Harbor's decision to obtain custody of the vessel or the amount of reimbursement owed in Pierce County Superior Court. The action must commence within twenty days of losing custody or the owner's right to a hearing is waived and the owner will be liable for any costs owed the City of Gig Harbor relating to the impoundment, storage and/or disposal of the vessel. The costs the owner may be liable for include, but are not limited to, costs incurred exercising the authority granted in RCW 79.100.030, all administrative costs incurred by the authorized public entity during the procedure set forth in RCW 79.100.040, removal and disposal costs, and costs associated with environmental damages directly or indirectly caused by the vessel.

For more information regarding this action, contact the Sergeant Kelly Busey of the Gig Harbor Police Department at (253) 853-2422.